

Regular Session, 2012

ACT No. 456

HOUSE BILL NO. 721

BY REPRESENTATIVE MORENO

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 13:5073(A)(1), relative to the certification of tobacco product
3 manufacturers; to provide for a fee for certification for tobacco product
4 manufacturers; to provide for the use of the fees; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 13:5073(A)(1) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §5073. Certifications; directory; tax stamps

8 A.(1) Every tobacco product manufacturer whose cigarettes are sold in this
9 state, whether directly or through a distributor, retailer, or similar intermediary or
10 intermediaries, shall execute and deliver on a form prescribed by the attorney general
11 a certification to the secretary and attorney general, no later than the thirtieth day of
12 April each year, certifying under penalty of perjury that, as of the date of such
13 certification, such tobacco product manufacturer either: is a participating
14 manufacturer; or is in full compliance with R.S. 13:5061 et seq., including all
15 installment payments required by R.S. 13:5075(E). For the initial certification
16 submitted no later than the thirtieth of April each year, a manufacturer shall pay to
17 the attorney general a fee of five hundred dollars. The fees generated pursuant to this
18 Section shall be deposited in the Tobacco Settlement Enforcement Fund and used

1 solely and exclusively for purposes of enforcement of the Master Settlement

2 Agreement, pursuant to R.S. 39:98.7.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____